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1. SUDANESE-ETHIOPIAN RELATIONS --

SUDAN'S ACTING PERM REP SAAD TOLD AMB YOUNG THAT, IN HIS VIEW, SUDAN WOULD NOT BE BRINGING UP ERITREAN QUESTION AT UN.
(CONFIDENTIAL -- USUN 447)

2. INFORMAL ECOSOC CONSULTATIVE MEETING --

ECOSOC PRESIDENT SMID (CZECHOSLOVAKIA) INFORMED USUN BY LETTER THERE WILL BE AN INFORMAL CONSULTATIVE MEETING FEB. 23 TO CONSIDER MEMBERSHIP OF THE PREPARATORY SUBCOMMITTEE FOR THE WORLD CONFERENCE TO COMBAT RACISM AND RACIAL DISCRIMINATION (AMENDMENT OF RESOLUTION 1990(LX) TO MAKE ALL UN MEMBERS ELIGIBLE FOR SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP, AND ELECT MEMBERS), VENUE OF THE CONFERENCE (REVIEW SUBCOMMITTEE'S TERMS OF REFERENCE IN VIEW OF GHANA'S WITHDRAWAL OF ITS OFFER TO HOST CONFERENCE), AND ELECTION OF ECOSOC VICE PRESIDENT FROM LATIN AMERICAN GROUP TO REPLACE AMB RIVAS (COLOMBIA) WHO HAS BEEN RECALLED.
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3. UN CHARTER REVIEW WORKING GROUP --

WORKING GROUP FEB. 16 DISCUSSED TWO PARAGRAPHS OF THE SECRETARIAT'S ANALYTICAL STUDY CONCERNING THE COMPOSITION AND PROCEDURES OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL. US, ITALY, USSR, POLAND AND GDR IN GENERAL SUPPORTED CURRENT SC COMPOSITION AND ARGUED PROBLEMS NOT DUE TO SC COMPOSITION OR CHARTER DEFECTS. THEY POINTED OUT COMPOSITION OF CURRENT SC WAS SUCH THAT NO DECISION POSSIBLE WITHOUT SUPPORT OF ALL GROUPS WHOSE SUPPORT WAS ESSENTIAL TO GIVE DECISION MEANING. JAPAN ASKED FOR COMPREHENSIVE STUDY OF ALL PROPOSALS. SIERRA LEONE, YUGOSLAVIA, ROMANIA AND IRAN FAVORED EXPANSION OF SC AND/OR DILUTION OF VETO. MEXICO DISCUSSED VARYING POWER RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN GA AND SC OVER LAST 30 YEARS, AND STRESSED CONSEQUENCES IF PERMANENT MEMBERS DID NOT VOLUNTARILY LIMIT THEIR VETOES ON ADMISSIONS AND PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES. ALGERIA SUPPORTED MEXICO, CITING NAMIBIA AS EXAMPLE OF PERMANENT MEMBER BLOCKING. NIGERIA FELT PERMANENT MEMBERSHIP UNDEMOCRATIC. (USUN 449)

4. COUNCIL FOR NAMIBIA --

IN RESPONSE TO A FORMAL INVITATION FROM THE CANADIAN SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS, THE COUNCIL DECIDED FEB. 16 TO SEND A MISSION TO CANADA TO DISCUSS THE QUESTION OF NAMIBIA. THE MISSION, WHICH IS EXPECTED TO GO TO OTTAWA FOR ABOUT THREE DAYS IN MARCH, WILL BE HEADED BY JAIPAL (INDIA). OTHER MEMBES WILL BE TLOU (BOTSWANA) AND DE ROSENZWEIG-DIAZ (MEXICO). ON OTHER MATTERS, THE COUNCIL: OBSERVED A MINUTE OF SILENCE IN TRIBUTE TO THE MEMORY OF THE INDIAN PRESIDENT; AGREED TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO THE UN WATER CONFERENCE IN ARGENTINA; COMMENDED SPECIALIZED AGENCIES, ESPECIALLY WHO AND UNESCO, FOR WAIVING THE ASSESSMENTS OF NAMIBIA TO THE AGENCIES' BUDGETS UNTIL THE TERRITORY REACHES INDEPENDENCE; WELCOMED AHTISARRI, THE NEW UN COMMISSIONER FOR NAMIBIA; AND DECIDED TO ISSUE A STATEMENT IN CONNECTION WITH APPEALS BEING MADE BY SWAPO MEMBERS CONVICTED AND SENTENCED TO CONFIDENTIAL

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DEATH IN NAMIBIA. (REPEATED INFO OTTAWA)

5. ELECTIONS TO ECOSOC SUBSIDIARY BODIES --

WEO GROUP PLANS TO DISCUSS, FEB. 17, ELECTIONS TO ECOSOC SUBSIDIARY BODIES. (US TERMS EXPIRING ON STATISTICAL, POPULATION AND HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEE ON FOOD AID POLICIES AND PROGRAMS.) (USUN 445)

6. 32ND GA PROVISIONAL AGENDA --

THE UN CIRCULATED (A/32/50) PRELIMINARY LIST OF 118 ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA OF THE 32ND REGULAR SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, WHICH WILL BE CONVENED SEPT. 20.

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